

## WIFE OF CONDUCTOR ON FRISCO PREFERS SERIOUS CHARGES

Mrs. W. H. Shipley Says Letter  
Addressed to Her Was  
Opened

St. Louis, Mo., May 24.—Post-office inspectors have completed their investigation of the case against Mrs. Ella G. Shields, formerly police matron of Wichita, Kan., and Miss Kate Tepfer, a manicurist and chiropodist of that town, charged with receiving and opening a letter addressed to Mrs. W. H. Shipley of Wichita, and with the forgery of Mrs. Shipley's name in cashing a \$25 postoffice money order contained in the letter, payable to Mrs. Shipley. Postoffice inspectors Elston and Jones of Chicago have worked up the case, and their reports are now in the hands of Third Assistant Postmaster General A. L. Laune, in Washington.

A year ago Miss Tepfer and Mrs. Shields went to Chicago. In October a letter containing a \$25 money order addressed to Mrs. W. H. Shipley in Chicago and made payable to her, is alleged to have been received by Mrs. Shields and opened by Miss Tepfer. Miss Tepfer is accused of signing the name of Mrs. Shipley to the money order and cashing it.

Mrs. Shipley referred the matter to the postoffice inspectors and on advice of them and Col. W. H. Phelps, her attorney, sent a decoy registered letter to herself in Chicago. Miss Tepfer is said to have received this, and the return receipt, signed by her, representing herself to be Mrs. W. H. Shipley, came back to Mrs. Shipley. This was held by the postoffice inspectors. The money order was sent by Shipley while he was in a sanitarium in Bonner Springs, Kan. When seen by the inspectors, Miss Tepfer alleged that Shipley authorized her to accept mail addressed to Mrs. Shipley.

Jas. Tarbet, of St. Charles, La., arrived in the city Monday night for a short visit with relatives and friends. Mrs. Tarbet has been visiting here for the past two weeks.

### New Buildings in Contemplation

P. Martin is working on plans and specifications for a building, or rather, a series of buildings which he contemplates erecting this season on his lots on Fourth street between Broadway and Front streets. The space to be occupied is 140 feet front by 150 feet in depth and the buildings to be two stories in height.

He is also having plans drafted for a building on the corner of Broadway and Fifth streets, 50x140 feet, two stories in height. This building, if erected, will be on the lots of the late J. V. Meagher, Mr. Martin being administrator. It is hoped that he will decide to make these improvements for they would add much to the boosting of Monett.

A fight down in the yard this afternoon caused a brake in the monotonous quiet for a short time. One of the scrappers tried to make a get-away when the marshal appeared on the scene but was soon caught and escorted to the lockup.

On the land immediately adjoining the Centennial church, west of Sarcoxie, and lying between the O. K. and Cameron mines, G. A. Boyd has sunk some drill holes which went into a run of ore that totaled in excess of 90 feet of pay dirt before the bottom was reached. Two of these holes were sunk in this ore body and thus helped not only to open up a new tract of land, but demonstrated the existence of a continuous run of ore across the lands connecting the mines already producing and which are located upon separate tracts of land.—Joplin Globe.

Miss Olla Draper has returned from a visit to Mrs. Burst in Springfield.

## SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

Given by St. Joseph School  
at Opera House, May 25.

The pupils of St. Joseph's school gave an entertainment at the opera house Tuesday evening.

The program was very good and was listened to by a large audience.

The entertainment opened with a piano trio by Misses Loretta Henry, Anna Martin and Mary Meagher.

The principal feature of the evening was a drama in four acts "The Reverse of the Medal." The leading characters were taken by Misses Mary Kenney, Oral Breese, Pearl Heyburn, Cornelia Tiernan, Della Mansfield, Martha Schofield and Florence Kenney. The Little Cooks with tin pans and wooden spoons gave a pleasing exercise. The Minuet given by little girls in white dresses and blue ribbons was very pretty.

The selection "Under the Umbrella," given by Tillman Temple and Helen Boyer was enthusiastically received. Miss Belle McAllister sang "Gypsy Joe" in costume.

The parasol exercise by tiny girls was very nicely given.

Other music was an instrumental trio by Misses Orine Wagner, Oral Breese and Mary Kenney. An instrumental trio was also given by little girls, Sadie Johnston, Helen Boyer and Marie Randall.

The entertainment closed with a pantomime "The Vision Beautiful." Miss Mary Kenney recited the selection and young ladies in white dresses and pink sashes gave the piece in pantomime.

The pupils and teachers were well pleased with the patronage their entertainment received.

### Two Missouri Railroads Raise Passenger Tariff Before Supreme Court Decision.

St. Louis, May 24.—Beginning tomorrow three different passenger rates will be in effect in Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroads will charge three cents and not meet competition. The Burlington Rock Island and Frisco will charge 2 1/2 cents and the Missouri Pacific, Iron Mountain, Cotton Belt, Wabash and Santa Fe will continue under the two-cent rate, until a writ of prohibition now pending in the state supreme court is ruled upon.

### Messina Feels Shock of Quake 10 Seconds

Messina, May 24.—One of the severest shocks since the great earthquake occurred here this afternoon. The movement was both vertical and horizontal and lasted ten seconds. The shock was preceded by a rumbling noise. The populace fled panic stricken and the walls of the ruins in various places collapsed.

### Married.

Married at the home of the bride in West Monett, Mr. Paul Holtslaw and Mrs. Bell Emerick, Tuesday mornins, D. N. Jewett, officiating.

Lloyd Davies came up from Ft. Smith, Ark., Tuesday to visit friends and relatives.

Miss Bertha Campbell left Tuesday morning for Ft. Scott, Kan., to visit Miss Esther Schoen.

Mrs. Walter Draper of Joplin, is visiting Miss Olla Draper this week.

Miss Sue Lynn, of Coffeyville Kan., has returned home after a visit with Mrs. Andy Hawkins.

Mrs. W. W. Boyer, of Jamesville, is visiting her brother, Andy Hawkins and family.

Mrs. R. F. Rabon is visiting friends at Kansas City, Kan.

W. S. Blannerhassett returned Tuesday morning from St. Louis.

The C. W. B. M. of the Christian church gave a social at the church Tuesday evening. An interesting program was rendered and refreshments were served. They enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

## AN OBJECT LESSON.



### K. OF T. CONCLAVE AT CARTHAGE

Five Hundred Knights From  
Over State Attend Ceremonies.

Carthage, Mo., May 25.—Forty-eighth annual convocation of Knight Templars convened in Carthage today. About 200 Knights are here from St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Jefferson City, Moberly, Warrensburg, Springfield, Monett, Aurora and Joplin.

A parade of uniformed Knights and four brass bands was held in the forenoon. Services were held at 2 p. m. when the Masonic Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of the new \$40,000 Christian Church.

Dr. Briggs, of Springfield, delivered the invocation for the Masons and the Reverend W. A. Oldham, of Kansas City, a former pastor of the church here, delivered the principal address. The ceremony was witnessed by 3,000. At 4 o'clock 5,000 witnessed an exhibition drill by the star drill team from Commandery No. 35, Kansas City, by Captain George G. Wright.

At 4:30 o'clock many automobiles and carriages were provided to take the guests in a sight-seeing drive over Carthage.

To-night a reception was tendered the visiting Knights, and there was a ball at the Elk's club house, at which a thousand invited guests were present.

Business sessions will be held to-morrow, and officers will be elected and installed, Grand Commander William Harvey, of Kansas City, will retire and A. Hough, deputy grand commander of Jefferson City, probably will be elected grand commander.

### Wheland Combs Dead.

Died, Tuesday, May 25, 1909, at his home near Butterfield, Wheland Combs, at the age of 78 years. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Mr. Combs was one of the old settlers of Barry county and was a brother-in-law of Judge D. Wilkerson of this city.

### Municipal Electric Light System

At the meeting of the city council Tuesday night plans and specifications were presented by Joplin and Kansas City parties for a municipal electric light plant for Monett. There was considerable difference in the cost, running from \$25,000 to \$35,000 according to the equipment. The council was not fully informed in regard to the matter and they adjourned to meet Wednesday afternoon when the matter was more fully discussed.

The TIMES will give further report tomorrow.

Herbert B. Witzel and Miss Bitha Chester of Granby drove over yesterday afternoon and after securing a marriage license went to the South Methodist parsonage where Rev. Shook pronounced the words that made them man and wife. They were accompanied by Scott Patterson and Miss Agnes Repass. After supper at the Spring City hotel they started on the return drive to Granby.—Neosho Democrat.

### FOUR KILLED IN JOPLIN MINE

Roof Caves Without Warning,  
Catching Workers

Trapped beneath a huge slab of rock twenty feet long, fifteen feet wide, and from two and a half to five feet thick, which fell twenty-five feet from the roof in the north drift of the Coahuilla mine, at Porto Rico, at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning, four miners were instantly killed, their bodies being mangled almost beyond recognition. The dead:

DAVID HAYES  
C. GREEN

B. ROSS  
WILLIAM HAZDEN

The fall came almost without any warning. There was a single ominous creaking sound in the roof, and before the men had an opportunity to run they were caught and ground to the rocky floor by the slab, which apparently fell in a single piece, breaking on impact with the floor.—Joplin Globe.

### Frisco Superintendents Are Meeting Today.

A general meeting of division superintendents of the Frisco second district was held Tuesday in Springfield with W. T. Tyler, general superintendent, to discuss various matters. Those present were:

T. B. Coppage, superintendent of the northern division, Ft. Scott; J. F. Simms, Ozark division, Memphis; J. G. Gorton, southeastern division, Birmingham; H. H. Brown, Kansas division, Neodesha; G. H. Schleyer, superintendent of western division, with headquarters at Enid, was not present.

### Oakley—Lennox.

Edgar Oakley and Miss Lennox were married at the Rogers Sanitarium, Monday evening, by the Rev. J. P. Dillon. The wedding was to have taken place in June but the couple decided to hasten the event in order that the bride might care for the injured man.—Rogers Journal.

Jas. Brown went to Cassville on business Wednesday.

Miss Mary Williams went to Purdy Wednesday.

Little Johnnie Lucile Ferguson is sick this week.

Gus Doenig went to Freistatt Wednesday.

James Harrigan of St. Louis, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harrigan.

Miss Hazel Lough of Purdy, visited Miss Grace Waite Monday.

Misses May Peters and Mary Ryan drove to Freistatt Wednesday.

Mrs. H. M. Cowan and Mrs. Frank Deltor went to Springfield Wednesday to visit.

Mrs. Joe Jackson and Miss Vera Martin drove to Peirce City Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. L. C. Smith of Rolla, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. B. Knapp.

## OKLAHOMA RIVERS STILL RISING

Flood Enlarging in Inundated  
Districts.

Muskogee, Ok., May 25.—Streams in northern and eastern Oklahoma were still rising to-day and the waters were spreading out and enlarging the flooded districts.

No rain had fallen since midnight last night, however, and for the first time in five days the sun shone to-day, with the prospect that the water soon would begin to recede. No deaths in addition to the five noted last night has been reported.

The Arkansas River, which is one of the largest streams in the State, has in its overflow alone inundated probably thousands of acres of potatoes, corn and other crops.

Solon Wright attended the Freistatt picnic Wednesday.

J. W. Lukin, of Altoona, Kan., is visiting in Monett this week.

Elvin Dummit went to Freistatt today.

W. F. Durnil spent Wednesday at Freistatt.

Mrs. Victoria Sheffield went to Ft. Smith, Ark., Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ruggles of Verona, visited J. W. Ruggles and family Saturday.

Chas. Ferrer and Mary Bertalot were married Saturday, May 22, D. N. Jewett, Justice of the Peace, officiating.

Misses Lora and Lotta Reese of Cassville, came Wednesday for a visit with Monett friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ketchum and little daughter Catherine visited Mr. Ketchum's mother near Peirce City Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Steel returned to their home at Cassville Wednesday. Mr. Steele accompanied the band to Carthage Tuesday.

Miss Maude Kane returned Wednesday from Webb City, where she had a position in a millinery establishment.

W. P. Boyle, Wells-Fargo agent, has been promoted to the position of route agent with headquarters at Springfield, and Carl Cupp, of St. Louis, has been given the position of agent at Monett. Edgar Price has accepted the position of night clerk.

The body of J. W. Ferre, a plasterer of Girard, Kan., was found near the yards of the Frisco depot at Garland, Kan., about 5:30 o'clock Monday morning. He had been struck and killed by a train. It is said that he was a passenger on train No. 175 and had been drinking.

### 20 Beautiful Post Cards, 6c.

Farm Progress, of St. Louis, Mo., the biggest and best farm and agricultural paper printed in the United States, offers to send to any reader of this paper twenty beautiful colored post cards, no two alike, if they will send 6 cents to cover cost of mailing and assorting the cards, and at the same time send them the names of five farmers who are not now subscribers to Farm Progress.

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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Railroad Department Young  
Men's Christian Association

The Thirteenth International Conference of the Railroad Department of the Young Men's Christian Associations of North America will convene in St. Louis, Thursday May 27 and continue during the remainder of the week. It will be a notable event.

The following delegates will represent the Monett Y. M. C. A. President H. Ward Day, Vice President B. E. Williams, Directors S. A. Chapell and W. T. Gates, C. C. Williams, C. C. Mills, E. O. Brown, Homer C. Hinds, J. H. Harris, Wm. Henry, W. L. Heath, C. J. Wright, E. Young, C. A. Carr, W. S. Brown, E. A. Puthuff, F. P. Stevenson, Frank Rowden, Arthur Leake, J. B. Barton, John J. Taylor, H. C. Enstrom, Joe B. Ellison, W. S. Brown, W. T. Kines, G. P. Malone, W. S. Blennerhassett, W. E. Bradford, D. T. Taylor, David Johnson, W. G. Adair, Hugh Gordon, J. G. Steinigewey, Frank Detlor, Chas. H. Waite, A. E. Goodrum, John Barkley, Arthur Rulon, F. M. Shriver, Simeon Spain, Chas. W. Rice, John A. Counts, Warren S. Perry, Roy Stocker, J. E. Smith, J. K. Kellerman, T. J. Hickey, E. Bridwell, H. H. Westbay, C. D. Evans, C. H. Brown, P. J. Fourcault, Robt. C. Ray, T. J. Spain, E. E. Brown, Herron Westbay, F. A. Wightman, J. W. Brown, J. F. Haddock, Isaac A. Wayne, Frank Burns, John Gillies, W. E. Lowe, Silver Stella, Jno. Cox, J. B. Lundy, C. H. Bunce, A. B. Gates, Wilson Gates, Geo. Morrow, M. F. Haynes, J. D. Heyburn.

### Some Strange Letters

The Division of Dead Letters is one of the show places of the national capital and is visited annually by thousands of sight-seers. There is much that appeals to human interest and emotion in the immense stacks of letters and parcels received at the rate of 40,000 a day, and containing articles of every description, some of them bearing addresses which cannot be deciphered even by the experts. In the 13,000,000 pieces of mail matter received by the division last year, there were 6,000 books, 1,000 pair of eye-glasses, 900 fountain pens, 800 razors, false teeth, marriage certificates, rings, shoes, snakes—in fact, everything from valuable diamonds to penny souvenirs. There was also more than \$65,000 in actual money, and commercial paper, including checks, drafts, money orders, etc., representing a face value of \$2,203,992.—Asst. Postmaster General P. V. DeGraw, in the National Magazine for June.

Misses Ethel Davis and Edith Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. McCorhill and Mrs. A. B. Smith, of Mt. Vernon visited Geo. Wilson's and W. B. Tanler's families Thursday.

Couldn't Say No—"What's the matter? Did the barber try to scalp you?" "It wasn't the barber's fault. I treated a friend to a hair cut and he insisted that I have another with him. I couldn't refuse."—Kansas City Journal.

## Weak Kidneys

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